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1. TSC AGENCIES HAVE REVIEWED SAG PROPOSAL WITHDRAW DUTY-FREE BINDING ON CERTAIN REFRIGERATOR EVAPORATORS AND CONDENSERS IMPORTED AS PART OF TARIFF ITEM 84.14.90 AND OFFER AS COMPENSATION ELIMINATION OF 3 PERCENT MFN DUTY ON ITEM 84.34.30 COVERING BLOCKS, PLATES, CYLINDERS AND LITHOGRAPHIC STONES, PREPARED FOR PRINTING PURPOSES, EXCLUDING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFSET DUPLICATING MASTERS.

2. OUR CONCLUSION IS THAT PROPOSED OFFER ON 84.34.30 WOULD NOT ADEQUATELY COMPENSATE US FOR IMPAIRMENT RESULTING FROM REMOVAL OF DUTY-FREE BINDING ON EX84.15.90. THIS POSITION DERIVES, IN PART, FROM POSSIBILITY THAT DUTY-FREE ENTRY ON EVAPORATORS AND CONDENSERS MIGHT BE REPLACED BY A PROHIBITIVE DUTY.

3. IN VIEW OF THIS POSSIBILITY WE BELIEVE THAT THIS EXPECTED LOSS COULD BE OFFSET BY CONCESSION ON TARIFF HEADING WITH SUFFICIENTLY LARGER TRADE VOLUME THAN THAT UNDER EX 84.15.90. ACCORDINGLY, WE CONSIDER BALANCED NEGOTIATION WOULD RESULT IF SAG WOULD REDUCE FROM 15 PERCENT TO 7.5 PERCENT THE GENERAL DUTY ON ITEM 84.21.10, WATER SPRINKLERS AND SPRAYERS, FOR LAWN, ORCHARD OR OTHER SPRAY IRRIGATION. IMPORTS FROM US AVERAGED DOLS. 560,000 ANNUALLY FOR 1970-72 THREE-YEAR PERIOD.

4. IF FOREGOING PROPOSAL ACCEPTABLE TO SAG, MISSION AUTHORIZED TO INFORM SAG WE PREPARED TO SIGN AGREEMENT CONCLUDING NEGOTIATIONS.

5. TSC APPROVED PAPER BEING POUCHED. KISSINGER

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